LIVE WASHINGTON TOPICS.

SOME DISAPPOINTED CALLERS AT THE WHITE HOUSE YESTERDAY.

Chairman Marrity Had an Hour's Satisfac tory Interview with the President, but Name Congressmen Complain that Their Wishes Are Ignored-Assistant Secretary Quincy Bossing the Consular Appointments-New York Applicants for Places.

WASHINGTON, May 11.-It was nearly 4 clock this afternoon when the President left his office to go for a drive. Up to that hour he had been continually in his office listening to the tales of politicians, except for the half hour he took for luncheon. There was no perceptible falling off in the number of callers. for, in addition to about twenty-five Congressmen, fully that number of other visitors shook Mr. Cleveland's hand. It was observed that several of the Congressmen were accompanied by constituents, but it was explained that the latter were present by special invitation.

The first callers to occupy the attention of the President to-day were Chairman Harrity of the Democratic National Committee, Assistant Secretary of State Josiah Quincy, and Mr. Sewell, member of the National Committee from Maine. This trio were with the President for fully an hour, much to the annoyance other callers, who were kept waiting in the Cabinet room. Mr. Harrity is silent with regard to the business that was discussed. It has been rumored, however, that a part of the discussion was relative to the rewarding of active Cleveland workers in last fall's campaign. Mr. Harrity declared that l'ennsylva-nia patronage had nothing to do with his visit. Nevertheless he called at the Treasury and Post Office Departments, and is understood to have ascertained the status of a number of whor appointments expected by him. The Philadelphia and a revenue collector at Pittsburgh are now due, as are also several Presiburga are now due, as are also several resi-dential Postmasters. When Mr. Harrity was asked to day with regard to the rule requiring charges to be made against fourth-class Post-marters before removals would be made, he merely smiled and said the Administration was attending to those affairs, and he had

merely smiled and said the Administration was attending to those affairs, and he had nothing to say.

Several members of what has been known as the Pennsylvania. Congressional combine, are in the city, and were somewhat startled at the visit of Mr. Harrity and the facility and ranidity with which he got around the departments ahead of them. It has been a very disappointing day for these Congressmen, who are principally exercised over the appointment of fourth-class Postmasters. They desired to ascertain the facts with regard to the alleged new rule for appointment to these offices, but they did not accept the information they secured as coolly as did Mr. Harrity. Two or three of them called on Postmasters would be removed at the end of four years' service. They were informed very emphatically that the policy of this Administration is not to make any changes in these offices, except where charges of inefficiency are made and proved. The four years' term would not count, but the Republicans would be held in office as long as nothing could be brought against them. Another question propounded to the Postmaster General by these Pennsylvania Congressmen was in regard to their recommendations of fourth-class Postmasterships in their own districts. They were informed that their recommendations would be considered with petitions and information gathered from other sources. This information had a very chilling effect on the visitors, and there is quite a show of indignation in the ranks of the Pennsylvania representatives.

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At the State Department it is said that Secretary Gresham has not recommended a single consular appointment since Mr. Quincy entered the service. Mr. Quincy has absolute authority in all such matters, and appointments are frequently made and the Secretary does not know anything about them until a messenger lays the commissions before him for his signature. Mr. Quincy does not confine his activity in the matter of paironage to the Department of State, but he is very busy in the other departments day after day.

Some of the Congressmen who went to the White House to-day took occasion to talk quite plainly to the President about matters in their respective States. In a number of States there are factional disputes and the rival leaders are continually appealing for special recognition. The President refuses to take sides with either faction, but simply puts them off from day to day with the statement that he will look into the case further when he has more time and lot them know the result. Such an announcement is not very encouraging to Congressmen who are looked upto at home and expected to have some influence with the Administration. It is mortified to them, they say, after remaining in Washington to pay off his individual political delta. There are gentlemen in Congress, they think, who have no personal favors to ask of the President or any member of his Cabinet, but these same gentlemen are respected at home, and their constituents send them to Washington to look after their interests. It appears, however, that such talk has no effect upon the President. upon the President.

One of the most distinguished of the President's visitors to-day was Mrs. Akers of Nashville, Tenn., the daughter of Mrs. James K. wills, Tenn., the daughter of Mrs. James K. Polk, the wife of President Polk. When a proposition was made to place a life-sized portrait of Mrs. Polk in the Executive Mansion. Mrs. Akers was selected to sit for the picture, as the daughter resembled her mother at the time she was mistress of the White House. Mrs. Akers was accompanied by a pury of ladies and Representative Enlose of Tennesses, and they had a merry time comparing the original with the portrait of Mrs. Polk, which now hangs in the green parior, Mrs. Akers was presented to Mrs. Cleveland at the latter's recention this afternoon.

Secretary Lamont made the War Department clerks happy to-day by issuing a circular announcing that "Collectors will not hereafter amouncing that "Collectors will not hereafter be allowed in the department, as they interfere with the transaction of public business." The circular declares that the department will not act as an agency for the collection of private debts, but at the same time it says that if an employee persistently neglects or refuses to pay dents contracted for the support of himself or family he will be discharged. This new order will have a tendency to make tradespeople more chary in trusting employees in the department, as heretofore a creditor had only to threaten to report his bad customers to the Secretary in order to get a settlement on the installment plan. One colored Shylock, whose pray consisted of the colored messengers and laborers, and whose rate of interest was 10 per cent, per mouth, or 120 per cent, her annum, has, by special order, been debarred from "practising his profession," in the corridors of the War Department sion "in the corridors of the War Department hereafter.

The number of applications for places in the Preasury Department is growing day by day. and New York is supplying a fair proportion of

Among the New York arrivals here to-day were Mayor Ctarles F. Bishop, George Blei-stein, John McManus, and Hubert Bissell, all stein. John McManus. and Hubert Bissell. all of Buffalo, the latter a nephew of Postmaster-General Bissell. Their arrival occas oned much gossip in the New York colony, as they are all classed as anti-snappers and are supposed to be laterested in the fight for spoils, although they do not admit this to be true. They say they are here in connection with a lawauit in which the city of finition in the say of the say they found Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Maxwell, with whom they discussed postal matters. They have an appointment to visit the Post Office Department for the say of the

Mr. Carl Schurz, who has been in Washington several days in consultation with the President and members of the Cabinet, returned the tank members of the Cabinet, returned to New York to high. Mr. Schurz says he came to Washington to have a confidential tak with the President and other members of the Administration, but he is not at liberly to make any statement on the subject. It is said, however, that he and his associates in the Civil Service Reform Association are greatly agitated over the dismissal of Mr. Sturfevant, a chief of division in the Treasury Depart-

ment, and that the distinguished Mugwump's mission here was to try and inject a new sup-ply of civil service reform virus into the Ad-

ply of civil service reform virus into the Administration.

Notwithstanding the appeal of Mr. Schurz and his reform colleagues, it is announced at the Treasury Department to-day in an unofficial way that a clean aweep of the heads of divisions has been agreed upon, and that Mr. Sturtevant happened to be one of the first cases reached. Mr. Logan Carliple is not disturbed by the howlings of the Mugwumps, as he deems their condemnation of him a species of glorification. The work of decanitation is expected to proceed with despatch, in spite of the visitation of Mr. Schurz, and soveral chiefs of divisions will soon follow Mr. Sturtevant into private life.

THE CUSION HOUSE INVESTIGATION. Not Decided Whether the Doors Shall be Closed-Mr. Fairchild Declines.

WASHINGTON, May 11.-The Hon. Poindexter Dunn, a member of the Commission to investigate the New York Custom House, was at the Treasury Department to-day and had audiences with Secretary Carlisle and Assistant Secretary Hamlin. He talked over with these

ences with Secretary Carlisle and Assistant Secretary Hamiln. He talked over with these officials the line of investigation to be pursued, and received from them their general ideas as to its scope, &c. He will leave for New York on Saturday. The Commission will probably organize on Monday or Tuesday. The question as to whether the sittings of the Commission will be onen or not will be decided by the Commission affor its organization. The impression prevails here that most of the testimons will be taken in closed assistion.

Secretary Carlisle this evening received a telegram from ex-Secretary Fairchild containing his declination to serve ou the Commission afforms of the commission afforms the New York Custom House. Mr. Fairchild says that his business engagements will not reemit him to accept.

Secretary Carlisle will not take a hand, at least at present in deciding the question of whether the investigation shall be held with open or closed doors. He said this afternoon that in the instructions given to the Commission this question was not mentioned, and that they have been and will be permitted to use their own discretion in the matter. The Secretary desires, he says, that the investigation shall he aversign and thorough, but that the Commissioners be authorized to conduct it in the manner that seems best to them. It has been thought that the Commission could get to work by Monday next, but the declination of ox-Secretary Fairchild to serve may tend to delay matters. Up to the time of closing the department to-day Secretary Carlisle had not selected a man to take the place of Mr. Fairchild.

RECORD OF THE LAST CONGRESS. Total Appropriations, \$1,037,104,547.-Offices Created and Abolished,

WASHINGTON, May 11.-The official statement of appropriations made, offices created and abolished, and salaries increased and reduced by the last session of Congress, prepared by the clerks to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House, and which has just been completed, shows that (including 750 additional apprentices for the navy) 900 specified new offices were created at an annual were abolished or omitted from the appropria-

were abolished or omitted from the appropriations at an annual cost of \$214.880, and that new offices or employments not specific as to numbers or rate of compensation, and principally in the postal service throughout the country, were authorized at an annual expenditure of \$889.012, while the annual reduction made on this account amounts to \$23,000.

The number of salaries specifically increased lineluding those of 2,457 first sergeants and sergeants in the army, whose monthly pay was raised \$3 and \$1 respectively was 2,480, at an annual cost of \$51.894, and the number of salaries specifically reduced was 100, at an annual cost of \$22,700.

The total appropriations made during the session, including the permanent appropriations for interest, sinking fund, &c., amounted to \$510,504,350, and for the preceding session they amounted to \$507,000,188.

NO MOIETIES TO OFFICIALS. Secretary Carilole Reverses the Decisions

of Six of His Predecessors. WASHINGTON, May 11.-Secretary Carlisle tocessors, and decided that the statute of 1874. known as the Anti-Molety act. except in cases of smuggling, debars all officers of the United States from receiving a moiety or in-United States from receiving a molety or informer's share of a fine on account of information given in reference to the violations of statutes. The significance of this decision is understood to be a general tightening of the Treasury purse strings, and a requirement that auditors, accounting officers, and others shall not accept precedents for their guidance, but specific law.

In accordance with the principles laid down in this decision, Secretary Carlisle to-day instructed Collectors of Customs and other Government officers to disregard all former opinions and rulings of the Treasury Department on the subject of moleties, and be governed in the future by this decision.

Successful Trial of Nickel Steel Armor

WASHINGTON, May 11.-There was an armor plate test at the Indian Head naval proving

Is Natural Gas Subject to Du'y! WASHINGTON, May 11.—A novel case has come up for the decision of the Treasury De-

partment. It involves the question of the character of natural gas; whether it comes under the tariff laws as a mineral product or under the tariff laws as a mineral product or in any other way. Natural cas is imported in great quantities by pipe line companies into Buffalo from Canada. he Buffalo gas companies complain that the natural gas companies should pay a duty on the imported natural gas, and the question is now before the Board of General Appraisers at New York for decision. Appraisers wilkinson of the Board, who is investigating the subject, has arrived here to take testimony of United States Government officials in the case. He will take the evidence of Major Powell of the Geological Survey and of officials of the Smithsonian Institution.

A Crank at the White House,

Washington, May 11.-A crank was arrested at the White House yesterday. His name is Hamilton S. Faunders, and he halls from Sumter. S. C. He is a well-built yellow man, 38 ter. S. C. He is a well-built yellow man. 38 years of age, and desires to receive the appointment of Minister to Mexico.

Saunders arrived in the city on Tuesday evening and called at the White House that night, but did not get in. Yesterday he showed up a second time, and was placed under arrest and hustled off. He was taken before Sanitary Officer Frank, where he was recognized as an insane man with whom the police had a similar experience about six weeks ago. At that time Saunders was sent home, and he will be sent home this time.

Falling Of of Exports of Mineral Oils and Cotton.

WASHINGTON, May 11.-A statement prepared by the Bureau of Statistics. Treasury Department, shows a falling off in the expor-tation of mineral oils for the month of April, the total being 53 500,000 gallons, as com-lated with 52,851,000 gallons during the same month last year.

Judging the same month there were exported 151,880,000 pounds of cotton, valued at \$13,-530,000 as against 193,583,000 pounds, valued at \$19,304,000, in the same period of 1852.

The Chinese Registering.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—Reports from thirty of the sixty-three internal revenue districts giving the number of Chinese who have regis-tered have been received at the Treasury Detered have been received at the Treasury Bepartment. These reports show that 3.043
Chinese have thus far complied with the law.
Collector Lotan at Portland, Or., to-day telegraphed Secretary Carlisie that the Danubeliad cleared for China with 400 Chinese on
board, a landing in the United States havingbeen relused them. They may be dropped off
on British faritory. The Tueora is expected
to arrive with 481 Chinese on board, and the
utmost care in the examination of their papers
has been enpoined by Secretary Carlisis upon
the Government officials at Portland.

Washington, May 11.—The extradition treaty with Russia is expected here by the next European mail. The promulgation of the treaty, it is expected, will follow closely upon its receipt, in the ordinary routine of official business. Its arrival is expected within the next three or four days. Ratifications were exchanged in liusals april 20.

PUTIING DEMOCRATS IN OFFICE. Shake-up in the Treasury Department

WASHINGTON, May 11.-Secretary Carlisle spent the afternoon examining the papers of applicants for office filed in the department. He declined to be interrupted by callers. It is understood that a number of Treasury appointments will be made on Saturday, among them eight or ten chiefs of division. The resignations of the following chiefs of division in the Treasury Department have been called for: R. F. Crowell of Minnesota and N. A. Roboins of Maine, Sixth Auditor's office: R. F. Robb of Maryland, First Comptroller's office; George N. West of Maine, Steamboat Inspector's office, and C. M. Shinn of West Virginia, Internal Revenue office. Another batch of resignations of chiefs of divi-tons, it is un-

derstood, will be called for next week.

The President to-day appointed J. Hampton
Hoge of Virginia to be United States Consul at Amoy, Chins, and John A. Michel of Texas to be Collector of Customs for the District of Brazos de Santiago. Mr. Hoge is a young lawyer of Montgomery county, virginia. He was a candidate for the District Attorneyship for the Western District of Virginia, and failing to secure that applied for the consulate at Hong Kong. The Virginia delegation in Congress did not endorse him for the latter place, but threw its influence unanimously for him when he applied for Amoy. Mr. Hoge succeeds Dr. Edward Bedloe, a facile writer and a member of the Clover Club of Philadelphia.

The total number of fourth-class Fostmasters appointed to-day was 151, of which 124 were to fill vacancies caused by resignations and death. Among the appointments are the following: be Collector of Customs for the District of

following:

New Jersey-E. H. Kugler at Idell and G. E. Taylor at Lyndburst.
Alsyndburst.
New York-Edward Clark at Ames. W. E. Sammer at Corfu. A. E. Caul et Cranberry Lake. Neison Verdon at Sprout Brook and A. L. Flich at Westmore.and.
Charles II. Martin of Illinois has been appointed law examiner in the Mineral Division, General Land Office, vice Charles T. Veder, resigned; Andrew Douglas of Wisconain has been appointed an examiner of Chippews Indian lands in Minnesots, vice Oils Staples, resigned.

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Attorney-General Olney has appointed S. M. Walker of Martinsburg Assistant District Attorney for West Virginia, and W. H. Mann of Lynchburg Assistant District Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia.

THE PRESIDENT MAY GO FISHING. Stories of Base Fishing in Virginia Waters Make Him Long for a Day of Sport.

WASHINGTON, May 11.-During the past two or three days several expert fishermen have visited the President and told him of their success in the waters not many miles from Washington. First came Representative Amos Cummings, with a startling string of flah stories from Florida. To-day Gen. Wade Hampton, one of the most noted fishermen in official life, called and gave the President a glowing account of the bass fishing in the Virginia waters. Later. Commissioner of Internal Revenue Miller, who holds the record for a single day's catch in West Virginia, strolled over to the White House to inform the President that the bass are biting freely and gamely in the waters near Alderson, W. Va.

With recent experiences of these three noted fishermen on his mind it is not surprising that the President longs for a few days recreation with his rod and reel. Gen. Hampton and Commissioner Miller each offered tempting invitations for the President to join them in a short fishing expedition, and he may see his way clear to spend one of his Mondays on the banks of one of the West Virginia streams. The President is also anxious to experiment with a new-fangled contrivance used in catching bass which Col. John A. Joyce, the poet who contests his authorship of "Laugh and the World Laughs with You" with Ella Wheeler Wilcox, recently sent him.

The invention consists of an oval-shaped bottle, large enough in the centre to admit an ordinary sized mianow. The hottle is open at both ends, so that the water may flow in and out and at the same time magnify the minnow. The bottle is surrounded by hooks, so that when the bass makes a dive for the captive minnow will last for an entire days fishing, providing the bottle is kept intact. Commissioner Miller has one of the new devices, and he is equally desirous of testing its merits, it is probable that a Presidential fishing party will be arranged at an early day. strolled over to the White House to inform the

MR. BRADISH'S CHURCH PEW.

It Has Been a Source of Income to Him Which He Objects to Losing.

The Church of the Ascension cannot become a free church in accordance with the vote of its parishioners at their meeting on Wednesday, until Nov. 1, as many of its pews are rented up to then, and their occupants cannot be turned out. George Bradish, one of the four members of the congregation who voted at Wednesday's meeting against the proposed change, may interfere in the interval to prevent the change being carried out. He has already had a law suitabout his pew. which he owns in perpetuity with Mr. W. K. plate test at the Indian Head naval proving grounds to-day. The plate was of nickel steel, nine inches thick, representing 355 tons, manufactured by the Carnegie Steel Company, and to be used for the Amphitrite. Two rounds were fired from an 8-inch breech-loading rifle. The first shot penetrated the plate, and the second passed through the plate and slightly into the backing, but no cracks were made in the plate in either instance. The trial was pronounced highly successful.

Mr. Carnegie, I resident of the company, was an interested spectator, it being the first time he has ever attended these tests, and he was particularly pleased with the results attained, as it was the first plate that ever earned the remium under the ballistic requirements prescribed in the late contract for armor, which was much more severe than the first contract. The premium secured was \$30 on every ton.

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Mr. Bradish's pew, not teling occupied, was rented by the church, and the difference between the stends of the star of difference between the set of the story. Mr. Bradish such him individually in 1870 for the difference between \$4:000 and only dropped the suit on discovering he had no case.

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bear on him.

For several months a card has been tacked to the back of Mr. Bradish's pew with this in-Scription:
This pew to let. Apply to George Bradish, 145 Broadway, New York city, or Bay Ende, Queens county, Long Isand, N.Y.

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Mr. Bradish apparently succeeded in renting the pew up to the time the card was put up, and made the difference between the ground rent and what he received, which is said to have been at one time \$120. He objects to having this addition to his income cut off permanently, as it has been, through force of circumstances, temporarily. Unless he surrenders the deed to his pew he will be still subject to the ground rent even when the church becomes free. becomes free.

STUDIES FROM THE NUDE.

Exhibition of the Work of the Students of the Academy of Design. When, a year ago, the drawings by the stu-

dents of the Academy of Design were put on exhibition, the class rooms were thronged with students and visitors, and certain prudes. finding their way thither, raised a ry of immodesty that presently resulted in the biggest attendance that the old Academy building in attendance that the old Academy building in Twenty-third street had ever held in one day before. This year studies from the life and the phaster cast were opened to the public yeasterday, and to-night the prizes will be awarded. The instructors, the works of whose classes are here represented, are Mr. Ward and Mr. Toaspero, and there are drawings from the antique and the life and from the composition and painting classes. Among the studies in the painting classes. Among the studies in the painting class are a number of heads and figure plees, one or two of which are conspicuously good, and the studies from the antique show much ware and faithful work.

The chief interest lies in the work of the life class, where the male and female models have been drawn by both the men and young women students in their several classes. In the first place the models, or at least two of them, are of unusually good proportions, so that the drawings are not without some pictorial merit askide from their qualities as studies. The work of the men, it must be admitted reductantly, is stronger than that of the young women, and fuller of character. Mr. Ernest Puhr's drawings are strikingly good, and among others whose work might be singled out for mention are Mr. Herman Methfessel, Jr. Mr. Harry Walcott, Mr. Alfred H. Maurer, Mr. A. J. Vincent, Mr. Martin Peterson, and Miss Flora Solinger. Twenty-third street had ever held in one day

Leader Boyle Dojng Well for the Ninth. Thomas E. Gorman was elected Treasurer of the Ninth Assembly District Tammany Hall General Committee last night, to succeed John P. Hilly, resigned. Mr. Hilly was made Vice-Chairman of the committee. The change was made because Leader James W. Heyle wanted one of his personal friends to hold the place. Chairman Doobs announced that in the mouth since Mr. Hoyle assumed the leadership he had secured one hundred and twenty places in the municipal service for Minth district men. This statement was received with cheers. The Minth district Tammany men are to have a big social club like those in the other districts. There are to be two hundred charter members at \$20 cach, and seven hundred at \$10. A prize of 556 will be given to the member who suggests the best name for the club.

Touris's are advised when visiting Niayara Falls to make their hiradquarters in Buffale and fundown to the Falls for the day. When in Buffale step at the Genese, Niagara Falls forty minutes away.—4ds.

PIGOT HAS HIS INNINGS.

DIS DEFENCE AGAINST THE CHARGE OF COLUMBIAN CORRUPTION.

Mayor Roody Tells Why the Celebration Cost \$50,000 Instead of \$20,000-The District Attorney's Expert Says the Bill for the Stands Was Not Extortionate, The defence of Plan Clerk James H. Pigot of the Building Department, who is on trial in the Court of Sessions in Brooklyn for aiding and abetting, as alleged, in the presentation of a false, fraudulent, and extortionate bill of \$11,400 for the erection of the Aldermanic grand stands on Columbus day, was begun yesterday. The testimony encouraged not only Pigot himself, but the numerous other defendants involved in the Columbus celebra-

tion scandal to look forward to an acquittal. District Attorney Ridgway, after presenting some testimony to show the dimensions of the stands, called Myron C. Rush, a builder, to the witness chair as an expert. Mr. Rush was a disappointment so the prosecution, for, according to his calculations, a fair price for the stands would have been \$10.200,or only \$1,200 less than the city actually paid. Mr. Rush also said that if he had been the contractor, and only four days to do the work had been given. he would have charged more than if he had ample time. When Mr. Rush, who was con-sidered an excellent witness for the defence, had retired, the District Attorney abruptly rested his case

Lawrer O'Dwyer then made a motion to dismiss the indictment, but Judge Moore promptly denied it, and said the case must go to the

In his opening for Pigot, Mr. O'Dwyer said that the prosecution had entirely failed to show that there had been the flaming corruption which had been charged in the motion. Pigot had simply acted as supervisor over the construction of the stands under the direction of a special committee of the Board of Aldermen. "If the money," concluded Mr. O'Dwyer.

was expended without authority of law. it was an honest mistake on the part of the Mayor, the Aldermen, the Auditor, and the law adviser of the city, and the expenditure has been legalized by the Legislature." Mayor Boody was then examined and explained in detail all the official acts in relation

to the Columbus celebration. Although the celebration had been talked of in March, no nction was taken until a few weeks before it came off. When the matter of a celebration was first

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When the matter of a celebration was first brought to his attention, hesuggested that the people should have an opportunity to contribute to the expenses, but his suggestion did not seem to meet with much favor. After the summer vacation he notified the Special Committee of the Board of Aldermen, which had been appointed in March to attend to the matter, that the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial Arch had been completed, and was soon to be dedicated, and that there seemed an earnest and widespread desire that the celebration of the 400th anniversary of Columbus and the dedication of the arch should be united. He told the committee that the great question was whether the money necessary to defray the expenses could be legally appropriated. The Corporation Counsel advised them that the money could be taken for the purpose from the unexpended balances, and the Comptroller informed them that there was an unexpended balance that could be so transferred. The original appropriation of \$20,000 was increased to \$50,000. This was found necessary because the school children had desired to participate and a large sum of money was required for the music. The parochial schools were to parade Wednesday and the public schools on the day following. The witness declared that he had acted in perfect good faith and believed he was doing right.

In response to Mr. Ridgway, Mayor Boody said that the bill which had been originally prepared to obtain legislative sanction for the expenditures had been dropped, because he did not at tirst approve of the celebration and because the people apparently did not want!. When the time came around for the dedication and here was the people apparently did not want!. When the time came around here had not consult Mr. Pigot or anybody eise in reference to the stands. He had never seen made in a general way at the start and the \$50,000 was added when the arch dedication had been determined upon and a large ountered of the particle had the contract was given by the committee the work and see that the s Alderman Heaney was the next witness, and testified with more explicitness than Mekes in reference to the stands. He was a member of the sub-committe on the stands. Alderman Pickering suggested to the committee that the stands should be erected with great care so as to avoid the probability of some accident, and that was why Pigot came to be brought into the affair. The committee sent for Figot and explained what was wanted. Figot was instructed to supervise the work and the committee went out to the Fiaza with him and floss, the contractor, and looked over the ground. This was only six or seven days before the celebration. He went to New York before this to inquire about the price of the stands put up at the same time over there, and was told that the same time over there, and was told that the sands, which were expected to accommodate about 80,000, would cost something like \$40,000. He reported the result of his investigation to the Committee of the Whole, and it was on the following day that the contract was awarded to Ross. He had known floss previous to this as a contractor. Ross was given to understand that the work must be completed within the four days remaining, and that he would be held responsible for any accident which might occur. He was also told that Pigot would have to pass on the work.

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A — I have not if I didn't believe the bill was an honest and just one, I would not have approved of it.

Assistant Pist jet Altorney Clarke—I wish to say for mywif and assof a We index say that we don't believe Alderman Heaney get a penny out of it.

Mr. O jinser—And yet he has been indicted for presenting this alleged false and fraudulent bill. senting this alleged false and fraudulent bit.

Alforman Wafer, who was also on the SubCommittee on Stands, gave similar testimony,
and also denied any personal benefit. He admitted that when it came to giving out the
contract he had some personal preferences for
Ross, but the question of charity did not enter into the matter.

Aldermen Thomas and Pickering also testified, but no additional facts were elicited.
Henry L. Spicer, an architect and builder,
figured out that \$1,352 would be a fair price
for the stands. Had he been the constructor
he would have asked much more than the
regular rate for such work, in view of the
great haste required.

The trial will probably be closed to-day.

Th' O'Briens Can't Pay the Bint.

The John J. O'Brien Association, once the master of the political situation in "de Atc." is now without a home and retains merely a nominal existence. The lease for its old club rooms at 242 Grand street expired on May 1, rooms at 242 Grand street expired on May 1, and the once powerful organization, which never lacked for money at any time, especially on election day, was unable to renew the case. The O'Brienlies have been swallowed up by Tammany Hall, and they consider money spent on an independent political organization as good as thrown away. Barney Bourko remains President of the John J. O'Brien Association and may revive it as a political factor should be conclude to sever his connection with Tammany hall,

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MUST PAY FOR SPOILED BAGGAGE. The White Star Line Mulcied in Mr. How

Mr. Howard Potter, the banker, and his daughters. Grace and Bertha, were passengers on the White Star steamship Majestic on the trip that ended at this port on Jan. 20. 1892. The roung ladies had seven trunks. which Mr. Potter had marked "Hold," to designate the part of the vessel in which they were to be stowed. Unfortunately for the gowns in the trunks the trunks were not stowed in the hold, but in compart-ment No. 3 on the orlop deck. When the young ladies examined their baggage on arriving in New York they found all their new Paris clothing ruined by salt water. The baggage of their maid was also trunks at \$2,025.50, and their maid's was val-

Mr. Potter, through his lawyer, Willard Par ker Butler of the firm of Cary & Whitridge, brought suit against the White Star Company. The case was argued before Judge Brown in the United States District Court, and a deci-

day.

Judge Brown, in his opinion, says:

fant. The evidence in this case does not seem to me sufficiently satisfactory on that point.

It was contended by the White Star Company that the responsibility of the ship is limited by the conditions printed upon the Lack of passengers' tickets, which exclude liability for perits of the sea or for any negligence in the navigation of the steamer, and all intuity for passengers' luggage beyond £10, unless the excess in value is declared and the freight on it paid at current rates. No such declaration or payment was made in this case. Judge Brown says:

It was held in the House of Lords, in a case precisely parallel to the present, that such notices as the above endorsed upon the back of the ticket, but not referred to in the budy of the contract, and are no defence in case of loss liv the English law therefore, the conditions referred by from many or the form the never loss of the society of the contract, and are no defence in case of loss live the English law therefore, the conditions referred

This decision will probably bring about a change in the form of passengers' tickets for the White Star line.

MR. MACKAY'S ASSAILANT, His Defence In that He Was Temporarily

Insane. San FRANCISCO, May 11.- The case for the prosecution against Wesley C. Rippey for the attempted murder of J. W. Mackay was closed to-day and some evidence for the delence was taken. As has been expected, Rippey's plea is temporary insanity. For the prosecution three reporters and a policeman testified as to the statements of Rippey in the receiving hospital, where he was treated for a self-inflicted wound, and later in the county jail, while awaiting trial. To several of these witnesses lippey said in effect that he shot Mackay because he held him responsible for his losses in stocks; that he thought the existence of such men as Mackay was a detriment to society that he intended to kill him, and would have done so if his sight had been good.

Afterward lippey told a reporter that he remembered nothing about the shooting and would plead in-sanity on his trial. Afterney Lemmon said that the defence whould show that lippey's loss of fortune in stocks had unbalanced his mind so that he did not know what he was doing, and while thus irresponsible he fired at Mackay. Several friends of the old man testified concerning his queer condition in recent years. awaiting trial. To several of these witnesses

Found in a Bottle at Ningara Falls. NIAGARA FALLS. May 11.-This evening as Wesley Grigg was strolling on Goat Island he found a corked bottle, in which was a visiting card bearing the following words, written in

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No Hope of Gaining Control of the State Even with All the Federal Patronage. ALBANY, May 11 .- One of the most ardent and active of Anti-Snap Democrats from the interior of the State, was found in a talkative mood in the corridor of the Delavan to-day. Among other things he said: "Senator Hill's straightforward and uncom-

promising attitude has greatly strengthened him. He has demonstrated that the New York State Democracy were loyal to the party's can didate, even though he was not their choice. Moreover, neither Senator Hill nor Senator Murphy nor Tammany Hall has neked for anything, but has simply stood in the position of those who had a right to demand, but trusted to the national Admin-istration to recognize that right without being asked to do so. Those from the interior who were with me at Syracuse acted different ly. No sooner was President Cleveland inaugurated than they swooped down on Washington and began to tell the President and his advisers that the only way to secure the control of New York State was to ignore the State organization and give control of the State's share of the Federal patronage to them. I personally know of several thousand Cleveland men who believed this to be the true solution of all political difficulties in this State, and who plainly told the President that the County Committees should have nothing to say in regard to the distribution of I ostmasterships, but that all should be turned over to the men who organized the Anti-Snap Convention. I thought so, too, at one time, but now I, with the rest, am beginning to have my eyes opened. With second wind has come a species of second sight. You would be surprised, were you on the inside, to see the great revulsion of feeling that has come over us all. Why, the very men who were so eager to have war declared, and the distribution of all the patronage of the Empire State turned over to them, are now urging the President to do anything within reason that the Tammany organization may ask or wish, or that the kings county Democracy may desire. litleal difficulties in this State, and who plain-

or that the Kings county Democracy may desire.

"They are doing this because they perceive that all the strength they could muster in the interior could not avail against Tammany and Kings county in a fight for the control of the Nate, and that too, even if they could capture the delegates from Eric, Rensselaer, and Chemung counties, which is more than dountful. We realize that for party success in the State it is necessary to join Tammany to the Federal Administration, and we'll do it if we have to give un the Collectorship of the port to the tiggre and everything else. You need not smile, for I mean just what I say."

ANOTHER BATCH OF VETOES.

New York and Kings County Bills Meet With Executive Distavor. ALBANY, May 11.-Gov. Flower has vetoed the following bills, his reasons following each

Assemblyman Ellison's bill providing for the care

and preservation of the parks and trees on the Boule-vard and West End avenue in the city of New York.

"The local authorities of New York are opposed to the transfer of control provided for in this bill and have requested me to withhold my approval from it." Assemblyman Kelly's bill providing for the acquisi-tion of water front for the city of Brooklyn. "This bill authorizes the appointment of a Commis-

sion consisting of the Mayor, Comptroller, and President of the Buard of Aldermen of the city of Brookign to investigate the "wholen, expediency, and policy" of the acquisition of the entire water front of the city by purchase or condemnation. I am informed that the Mayor regards such a scheme of purchase as impracti-cable and likely to involve the city in the expenditure of a great many millions of dollars. The appointment ot a Commission, therefore, and the expenditure of \$10,000 authorized for their expenses are a doubtful use of public money."

Estator McCarty's bill providing for improvements

in etreets and high ways in towns within counties con taining upward of 600,000 inhabitants.

"Although general in terms, this bill affects exclusively the town of New Utrecht. The scheme of the act is to provide for a system of local improvement,

and it authorizes an expenditure of not exceeding \$800,000 for these purposes. I have already approved a bill authorizing the expenditure of \$000,000 for purposes of local improvements in this town, and, so great appears to be the local opposition to this additional measure, I am compelled to withhold from it my ap-proval." Assemblyman Cabill's bill regarding the appoint

Assemblyman Cabill's bill regarding the appointment and compensation of telegraph operators and linemen connected with the Brooklyn Fire Department.

"The local authorities are opposed to this bill. Any merfections case arising under its provisions the place and the state of the provisions the line of the bill which purports 5, regulate the salaries of authorities of the bill which purports 5, regulate the salaries of authorities officials in a municipal department is, on general principles, worthy of condemnation."

Senator McLarry's bill amending the act providing for certain improvements in the Eighth ward of the city of brooklyn.

"Identically the same bill is now a law, constituting chapter 55 for the Laws of 1816."

Senator Aspitani's bill to close a portion of Clymer street in Brooklyn, and Assemblyman Cooney's bill to close a certain part of riey ward street in Brooklyn.

"I have just sixtled a bill amending the charter of the control of the co

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Assembly man Cassin's bill establishing a State Board of Indertakers and to regulate the practice of undertaking.

"I am constrained to refuse my approval to this act, It is opposed by the rittle Board of ifcelith, which fear that, as at present drafted, the measure would create conduct between that it and and the State Examining Board of Indertakers which it is proposed to establish. This objection would control action on the bill regardless of any opinions which I might have as to the substantial merits of the measure."

Assemblyman's admirat's bill anthorising the Sences Falls school of anatomy to procure, sective, and the Total of the indended indirectly by this act to incorporated. If it is inlended indirectly by this act to incorporated, if it is inlended indirectly by this act to incorporate all as a general law already provides for the incorporation of such institutions. As to the authority conterred by this bill to procure, receive, and disased dead bodies, that is sufficiently taken care of by the public health law." law."

Assemblyman Finegan's bitt providing that the state blail maintain the bridge known as the Fenny Bridge vore Minisceonice Creek in Rockland countries on the part of the State to assume charge of and maintain Senator McClelland's bill extending the time within which the Youkers Hailroad Company shall complete

which the Yorkers italicoad Company shall complete the several partitions of sections of its railroad. The time for the competition of the rail, making due allowance for legal proceedings, expired on let 11, 1803, and, according to the provisions of section by of the Railroad law, the company rights, privaleges, and franchies then ceased and determined Consequently, the bill is open to the constitutional objection of them a special bill sutherizing a corporation to lay down railroad tracks. to lay down raitroad tracks."

Assemblyman Griffin's bill amending section 3,352 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Assemblyman Hummel's bill, amending section 544 of the Penal Code regarding false pretences in reference to a purchaser's ability to pay, and Assemblyman Terry's bill amending section 56 of the Code of Criminal Procedure were vetoed, the Governor giving his reasons for such action in long memoranda.

Gov. Flower has signed:

Chapter 881-Amending the Penal Code regarding

Clayer del Amending the Penal Code regarding fra dulent insolven lies. Chapter 1662-Passvaling that the annual dues of memiers of the Kings (bount) Medical society shall not exceed \$10 a year.

THE REV. MR. REX WANTS A DIFORCE. He Says His Wife Has Been Misbehaving with Elder Margan.

The Rev. J. T Rex. pastor of the colored congregation of St. James s M. F. Church in Newark is contemplating proceedings against his wife for divorce. Mrs. best is a dashing woman of 32, light in complexion, and graceful in form. Her husband is such older and is seriously inclined. Some months ago disagreeable stories about his alle intruded upon his studies. His wife frequently complained his studies. His wife frequently complained of her eyes and made trips to this city as tensificity to have them treated. Lately he heard that she was in the har to of clandestinely meeting Presiding Edler Morgan of his conference. He says that he sent a woman to watch her, and learnest counged to prove that his wife was unfaithful. Then he sent her awar. This was six weeks ago, she is now with her parents in Cambles.

Mr. has added that he had asked B shop Tanner to transfer him, penning charges which is intended to make against Elder Morgan, and that the Bishop had given him a charge at West Philadelphia. St James's Church is temporarily without a pastor.

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THE CHAMPION FENCERS.

They Got The'r Gold Medals After the Finals Last Night,

W. T. Heintz of the New York Athletic Club is the champion foil fencer of the United States, while Dr. G. M. Hammond, also of the New York Athletic Club, is champion at both duelling swords and salves. That was offcially settled last night on the stage of the Berkeley Lyceum, when the final bouts were contested under the suspices of the Fencers' League and A. A. U. A fairly large crowd, including many ladies, was present, and the competitions were watched with close interest. Da. Hammond won the sabre contest with case. but A. V. Z. Post of the Fencers' Club gave the winner a close rub in the duelling sword contest. Heintz had a comparatively easy time of it in the folia. In flauring the points of competitors, posi-tion and other things are taken into consider-ation. The percentages of the first three in each competition are as follows:

Sabres-Hammond, 18.52; O'Counor, 14.24; Haubold, 18.25. Heintz, 23.04; Hammond, 20.90; Bothner, selling swords-Hammond, 12; Post, 11; Shaw, 9.

Duelling Swords-Hammond, 12; Post, 11; Shaw, 9.

The final bouts resulted as follows:
Feits-Heintz beat Hammond 3 to 2; Bothner beat
Hambold, 4 to 1; Hammond beat Hambold, 4 to 1;
Heintz beat Holtner, 3 to 2; Heintz beat Hambold, 4 to 1;
Heintz beat Houter, 3 to 2; Heintz beat Hambold, 4 to 1;
Hammond beat Bothner, 3 to 2; Heeck beat Howard, 3 to 2; Hammbold beat Howard, 4 to 1; Buthner beat Howard, 4 to 2; Hammond beat Howard, 4 to 2;
Duelling Swords-Shaw beat Tatham, 2 to 1; Hammond beat Internal, 3 to 0; Hammond beat Howard, 2 to 1;
Tot: Data Howard, 4 to 2; Howard beat Brock, 2 to 1; Bhambond beat Howard, 2 to 1; Hammond beat Howard, 2 to 1; Tatham beat Heek, 3 to 0; I toward beat Brock, 2 to 1; Tatham beat Howard, 2 to 1; Tatham beat

Bloomingdale Turners Give an Exhibition of What They Will Do in Milwankee,

Some intimation of what the New York turners will during the latter part of July was given on Wednesday night at the bisomingda o Turn Verein, Fifty-fourth street and Eighth avenue. The management of the organization had arranged for an exhibition on a smaller scale, in which the gymnastic team selected to the exhibition, it was decided, should go toward de-fraying the incidental expenses of the men who would represent the Boolmmidial even in the gymnastic carnival. The actual expenses will be paid by the so-ciety, but the proceeds derived from Wednesday night-entertainment will go toward giving the boys a good time.

it thing by them, gave them a show wen works are so framission.

begin with, Instructor George Walters, who will be the hope ain Milwaukee, led them all in a series of eilent calisthenic exercises, which for beauty and ce could not be excelled. This was followed by ally brilliant exercises on the horizontal and parthars. Next there were crack acrobatic feals by Srandt, Gus Glader, and George Weis.

symbol by stockhauer and A. Hanke was thoroughly preciated by the mortive Tenton, John Hornbach Pred Dots, and William Muciler and A. Deahennee to heartily applauded for two very fine fancing its.

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the time was not sufficient for the events in one day. Three of the college records were broken. Barnes, '96, broke the record for putting the shot; Twiford, '96, for the running broad jump, and Baker, '95, came within seven eightlis of an inch of equalling the world's record for the standing broad jumin. The track was heavy and the time on the runs not very good. Following record for the standing broad jump. The track was heavy and the Lime on the runs not very good. Following is a summary.

Mile walk—Pollock '16, first, in 8 minutes 22 4-5 seconds. McEwan, '16. second, Huggins, '16t, told, tenchundred yard Danh—Have, '16t, first, in '10g seconds. Van Buser, '16t, second, Holderran, '16t, that', shot Put-Barnes, '16t, first, byers, '16t, seconds Beckwitt, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, second, Myers, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, second, Myers, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, seconds, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, seconds, '16t, third, '16t, third, '16t, seconds, '16t, third, '16t, thi

Kickhams Withdraw from the G. A. A. The members of the Central Council of the Gartie Athletic Association were greatly surprised at their last meeting to receive from the Charles J. Kickham club of Harlem the resignation of that organization from the ranks of the association. The Kickhams were dissatisfied with the schedule of football games arranged by the Council and withdrew from participating in the championships. They followed this up by retiring from the G A A altegether. The kickhams resignation was unanimously accepted.

For some months the Kickhams have not paid much attein to football matters, authough they won the Gaelic championship last summer. From the time that they were beaten by the Barrya the club has been in a comators state. It is not known but that the Kickhams will on the Gaelic A. which the Gaelic Section of th dissatisfied with the schedule of football games ap-

Opening of the Larehment Yacht Club, The trustees of the Larchment Yacht Club announce that the formal opening of the club house will take place on Saturday, Nay 2%. The flag will be formally housted and wa uted at a o clock F. M., on the arrival of the 3.0ci F. M. rain from New York. The following special committees have been appointed, and will look after the interests of the continue season:

House Committee—Augustin Monroe, Chairman, Oswald Sanderson, Caldwell H. Colt, E. J. Gruscen, and Whitam Marras;
Library tommittee—Horatio R. Harper, Chairman, Prank B. Snaw, Harry A. Van Lerin, and T. Staford Dr. who.

Re acta Committee—John F. Lovejor, Chairman, Otto Sanny and Gerard M. Barretto,
The following events have been arranged for the yaculture season of 1803; Spring regate, June 10; annual resatts, July 14 to 22; oyster bratrace, Aug 294; annual sail, July 14 to 22; oyster bratrace, Aug 294; numi recation duly 4; annual sait July 14 to 22; Oyater bust race, aug 28; Au dates have yet been decided on for the fall re-gate the section race for schoolers for the Larchmont cup of for the special race for 85-foot sloops.

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